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TO AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU
INFO AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MASS, NP, IN

SUBJECT: SALE OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT USED IN EAST-WEST
HIGHWAY PROJECT

REF: KATHMANDU 1270

1. WHEN GOI DECLARED SOME US MAP FUNDED CONSTRUCTION EQUIP-
MENT TO BE EXCESS, TITLE RETURNED TO USG IN ACCORDANCE WITH
STANDARD MAP PROCEDURES. USG THEN PLACED EQUIPMENT ON
MIMEX LIST. EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE OFFERED FOR SALE
THROUGH OPEN, COMPETITIVE BIDS. ANYONE MAY BID FOR EXCESS
EQUIPMENT FROM EAST-WEST HIGHWAY PROJECT, BUT DUE TO COST
OF TRANSPORTING EQUIPMENT WE DOUBT THAT BIDS WOULD BE RE-
CEIVED FROM PARTIES OTHER THAN GON OR PERHAPS, NEPALESE
COMPANY. IF NO BIDS RECEIVED, WE WOULD THEN INITIATE
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ABANDONMENT PROCEDURES.

2. NEPALESE EMBOFF MISINTERPRETED A QUESTION AT AMBASSADOR
KHATRI'S LUNCHEON IN HONOR OF AMBASSADOR HECK ABOUT
WHETHER NEPALESE GOVERNMENT MIGHT HAVE ANY POSSIBLE USE
FOR CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT (WHICH WE HAVE HEARD CHARACTER-
IZED AS JUNK) TO IMPLY THAT US SOMEHOW PLANNED TO SELL EX-

CESS EQUIPMENT TO GON. NEPALESE EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED

OF REQUIRED PROCEDURES FOR DISPOSAL OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT AND WILL REPORT TO KATHMANDU. EMBASSY SHOULD, THEREFORE, INFORM MRS. SHAH THAT DEPARTMENT AND NEPALESE EMBASSY HAVE NOT DISCUSSED SALE OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT FROM EAST-WEST HIGHWAY PROJECT. MOREOVER, WE UNDERSTAND THAT EQUIPMENT DECLARED EXCESS BY GOI IS IN EXTREMELY POOR CONDITION AND THEREFORE, UNLIKELY TO BE OF INTEREST TO GON, THOUGH, OF COURSE, WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO A SALE TO GON THROUGH OPEN BIDDING. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY SHOULD RENEW REQUEST TO MRS. SHAH FOR INFORMATION ON COMDITION OF SALE (PARA 2 REFTEL).

4. FYI: OUR FILES CONTAIN NO TELEGRAMS ON DISPOSAL OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT AFTER JUNE, 1977. IF EAVES LETTER OF 3/2/78, WHICH WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED, DOES NOT COVER DEVELOPMENTS SINCE JUNE, WOULD APPRECIATE UP-DATE ON SITUATION FROM EMBASSY. VANCE

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